

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please CANCEL claims 4 and 14, AMEND claims 3, 5, 12 and 13 and ADD new claims 17 and 18 in accordance with the following:

1. (CANCELLED)

2. (CANCELLED)

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An information processing system, comprising:
an information disclosing server for disclosing contents;
a portal server for obtaining information regarding contents from the information disclosing server and for-creating display data; and
wherein the information disclosing server ~~comprising~~includes:
contents storing means for storing the contents; and
additional information storing means for storing additional information indicating the respective attributes of contents to be disclosed of ~~the~~ contents stored in the contents storing means and relations among the stored contents; ~~to be disclosed~~,

and further wherein the portal server comprisingincludes:

additional information obtaining means for obtaining the additional information stored in the additional information storing means in the information disclosing server;

additional information storage means for storing the obtained additional information on each contents object obtained by the additional information obtaining means by creating folders having a hierarchical structure corresponding to logical structures- structure of the contents objects, and by storing the respective attributes of the contents in each of the folders corresponding thereto, and associating each folder with a template specifying an applet and arguments therefore;

display data creating means for obtaining, in the case ofcreating display data for a specified contents object in response to a request having been made from a user of a client

connected with the information disclosing server via the portal server, by executing the applet specified in the template that is associated with the folder corresponding to the specified contents object; and the appropriate additional information from the additional information storage means and for creating display data; and

sending means for sending the created display data created by the display data creating means to the requesting client, which made a request, and

wherein information for designating a template used to create the display data is associated with the folders, and the display data creating means creates display data according to an appropriate template.

4. (CANCELLED)

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The information processing system according to claim [4] 3, wherein the additional information storage means contains a shortcut by which other folders or contents can be referred to from a predetermined folder.

6. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 5, further comprising editing means for editing additional information stored in the additional information storage means.

7. (ORIGINAL) The information processing system according to claim 6, further comprising user additional information storage means for storing additional information according to users, wherein the editing means also edits additional information stored in the user additional information storage means, further wherein the display data creating means also creates display data from additional information stored in the user additional information storage means.

8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The information processing system according to claim 3, wherein the additional information obtaining means obtains additional information from the information disclosing server by a method designated in advance.

9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The information processing system according to claim 3, further comprising additional information creating means for creating additional information

from contents stored in the contents storing means.

10. (CANCELLED)

11. (CANCELLED)

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A portal server for obtaining information regarding contents from disposed between an information disclosing server for disclosing contents and for creating display data provided to and a client, the portal server comprising:

additional information obtaining means for obtaining additional information about contents stored in the additional information storing means in the information disclosing server; the additional information indicating attributes of, and relations among, the stored contents;

additional information storage means for storing the obtained additional information on each contents object by creating folders having a hierarchical structure corresponding to logical structure of the contents objects, storing the respective attributes of the contents in the folders corresponding thereto, and associating each folder with a template specifying an applet and arguments therefor; obtained by the additional information obtaining means;

display data creating means for defining, in the case of creating display data for a specified contents object in response to a request having been made from the client, by executing the applet specified in the template that is associated with the folder corresponding to the specified contents object; and the appropriate additional information from the additional information storage means and creating display data specifying display of the contents in the information disclosing server; and

sending means for sending the created display data created by the display data creating means to the requesting client which made a request, where the client is connected with the information disclosing server through the portal server directly connected with the client, and

wherein the additional information storage means stores the additional information by creating folders having a hierarchical structure which corresponds to the logical structure of the contents and by storing the respective attributes of the contents in each of the folders, and

information for designating a template used to create the display data is associated with the folders, further wherein the display data creating means creates display data according to an appropriate template.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A computer-readable record medium recording a computer program executed on a portal server for obtaining information regarding contents from disposed between an information disclosing server for disclosing contents to and a client, connected with the information disclosing server through the portal server in direct communication with the client and for defining display data provided to each client, the program executing functions comprising:

obtaining additional information about contents stored in the information disclosing server, the additional information indicating attributes of, and relations among, the stored contents;

storing the obtained additional information obtained on each contents object by creating folders having a hierarchical structure corresponding to logical structure of the contents objects, storing the respective attributes of the contents in the folders corresponding thereto, and associating each folder with a template specifying an applet and arguments therefor;

obtaining, creating display data for a specified contents object in response to a request from the client, by executing the applet specified in the template that is associated with the folder corresponding to the specified contents object; and the appropriate additional information stored and for creating display data defining display of the contents in the information disclosing server; and

sending the display data created to the requesting client, which made a request, and wherein the additional information is stored by creating folders having a hierarchical structure which corresponds to a logical structure of the contents and by storing respective attributes of the contents in each of the folders, and

information for designating a template used to create the display data is associated with the folders and the display data is created according to an appropriate template.

14-16. (CANCELLED)

17. (NEW) The information processing system according to claim 3, wherein the applet consults the hierarchical structure of folders to select and process each child contents object that belongs to the contents object corresponding to a template that is currently used.

18. (NEW) A computer-readable record medium having a program for executing operations via an information disclosing server including obtaining information regarding contents from said server, said operations comprising:

generating a hierarchical structure of a first folder including a template specifying an applet and arguments for the applet from a logical structure of contents stored at said server;

receiving a request from a client system via a portal connecting client systems to said server; and

creating display data corresponding to the client system at the portal responsive to the request and transmitting the display data created to the client system from the portal, where a second folder having a template is generated for at least one of said client systems for displaying said contents stored at the server.